

**Millstone Township  
Agricultural Advisory Council  
Meeting Minutes for December 13, 2017**  
470 Stage Coach Road, Millstone Township, NJ 08510

Mr. Asprocolas called the meeting to order at 7:36 PM.

The Secretary read the adequate notice.

**Roll Call**

Present: (5) Asprocolas, Butch (arrived 7:39 PM), Peck, Pinhas, Posten

Absent: (1) Dancer

In attendance: Committeewoman Grbelja

**Public Comment:** Opened and closed at 7:37 PM with no public in attendance.

**Approval of Minutes**

A Motion was made by Mr. Peck with a Second offered by Mr. Asprocolas to approve the October 23, 2017, minutes.

AYES: (2) Peck, Asprocolas

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

**Correspondence:** None.

**Old Business**

- Large Animal OEM Plan: No discussion.
- Farm Leases: The Millstone Park and Perrineville Road farm leases expire on July 31, 2018. Advertising the farm leases and soil testing were discussed.
- Open Space Trust Account Activity: The 2017 activity report, with information through October, was distributed for review. No discussion.
- Wildlife Management on Farms Next to Parkland: Council members discussed establishing a wildlife management plan for Millstone public lands. Council members also discussed hosting roundtable meetings and inviting stakeholders to take part in developing a pilot program for deer management.
- Working with County on Legislative Tours: The next tour is an urban agriculture tour.
- 2018 Budget: Council members discussed budgetary needs associated with Council goals for 2018.
- Livestock Survey: The purpose of the survey is to compile a list of names and contact information so that livestock owners can be notified during emergency situations and information can be disseminated regarding educational seminars.

**Pending Legislation and Regulations**

- SADC Regulations: Proposed beekeeping regulations are available for review and public comment.

**Events**

- The Annual NJ Land Rally will be held on March 2<sup>nd</sup> in New Brunswick. The Secretary will register Council members who plan to attend the rally.

**New Business**

- Millstone Park Grass Planting: Council members discussed the timing of turf grass planting and its impact on germination and field availability.
- 2017 Accomplishments: The list of accomplishments was reviewed and updates to the Council liaison listing were noted.

- Council Goals for 2018: Goals added to the list for 2018 include mailing informational postcards to residents, hosting a networking opportunity for local farmers and hosting a series of roundtable discussions to address wildlife management issues.
- 2018 Meeting Schedule: A Motion to approve the following 2018 meeting schedule, with the first meeting in 2019, was made by Mr. Peck with a Second offered by Ms. Butch:

Meetings to occur on the following Wednesdays at 6:30 PM:

January 24, 2018	April 25, 2018
February 28, 2018	May 23, 2018
March 28, 2018	

on the following Thursdays at 7:30 PM:

June 21, 2018	September 20, 2018
July 19, 2018	October 18, 2018
August 16, 2018	November 15, 2018

on the following Wednesdays at 6:30 PM:

December 19, 2018	January 23, 2019
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AYES: (5) Peck, Butch, Asprocolas, Pinhas, Posten

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Dancer

At 9:15 PM, Ms. Butch made a Motion with a Second offered by Mr. Peck to move to executive session; with all in favor, the Council moved to executive session to discuss potential preservation projects.

At 9:28 PM, the Council returned to open session. Having no further business to discuss, a Motion was made by Ms. Posten with a Second offered by Ms. Pinhas and by unanimous vote the meeting adjourned at 9:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Maher  
Council Secretary